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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Rene Jean Zimmer, et al.

For: A RUBBER COMPOSITION

CONTAINING NANOSCALED ZINC )

OXIDE PARTICLES )

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2004, no paper number given,  
Applicants respond as follows.